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Subject: End of Day -- May 20, 2016

MEDIA

Press release issued to amplify HQ announcement of the Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund and Cleanup (ARC) grants: U.S. EPA Awards Nearly \$2.7 Million to Assess and Clean Up Contamination in Arizona, California and Nevada

Mountain View Voice: Reporter Mark Noack has questions about repair plans for Hangar 1 at Moffett Field. He also requested an interview on background re: Middlefield-Ellis-Whisman (MEW) Study Area. Working with program to provide written response and setting up time for interview on background. SF (v) OPEN: Michele Huitric

NBC Bay Area (KNTV): Producer Liz Wagner has requested a phone interview with Lily Lee regarding EPA superfund cleanup guidelines. This is in regards to NBC Bay Area's series of reports on the cleanup of the Hunters Point Shipyard. SF (v) OPEN: Michele Huitric

Mother Jones: Reporter Julia Lurie has follow up questions regarding AZ Windsong. Coordinating with ENF, WTR & ADEQ to ensure consistent messaging: OPEN Contact: Margot Perez-Sullivan (v) ENF/WTR

Jewish Journal LA: Reporter Deborah Schoch has questions about Jewish summer camp that borders on Santa Susana site. Camp paid Tertra Tech for some sort of risk assessment; camp also claims EPA has sampled the camp and that it is safe. Coordinated with DTSC, set up another call for EPA & DTSC technical staff on Monday: OPEN: Contact: Margot Perez-Sullivan SF

INewsSource: Reporter Megan Wood is looking for enforcement records about Otay Landfill. She also reached out to HQ and filed a FOIA request. Looking for records from 2012 RCRA inspections to send her next week. Referred her to the San Diego Air Pollution Control District for CAA violations. OPEN. ENF. (v.) Soledad Calvino.

San Gabriel Valley Water Association Newsletter: Writer Monica Valencia is writing an educational story on the progress at the Superfund sites overseen by the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority (WQA). Coordinated with program and sent her responses to follow up question. CLOSED. SFUND. (v.) Soledad Calvino.

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Social Media:

Asthma Awareness/Environmental Justice -- At the request of headquarters, posted to our <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages about how asthma disproportionately affects children, minorities, and families with low incomes, and linked to our <u>Coordinated Federal Action Plan to Reduce Racial and Ethnic Asthma Disparities</u>.

Web Updates:

Green Building Tools for Tribes - Posted updates to the Green Building Tools for Tribes website.

San Joaquin Valley Air Actions – Updated the Federal Register notice link for the proposed SJV Ozone attainment on the San Joaquin Valley Ozone Air Actions page.

Red Hill Fuel Storage – Uploaded new documents to the <u>Tank Inspection, Repair and Maintenance Additional Documents page</u> and the <u>Tank Upgrade Alternatives Additional Documents page</u> in the Red Hill Fuel Storage Facility website.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

California Senate Natural Resources and Water Committee Staff Inquiry: Brent Maier received a follow up inquiry from Katharine Moore, Ph.D., Committee Staff who sat in on the recent call that Acting RA Strauss had with Sen. Fran Pavley regarding the UIC Program. Katharine had a question with respect to the UIC program subsequently that she wanted US EPA's perspective on whether UIC projects can encompass dozens of injection wells or whether a UIC project can include only one injection well. Brent has shared her inquiry with Water Divison's Tomas Torres, Mike Montgomery and David Albright and we will be following up with Ms. Moore on Monday with information provided by our UIC Program.

Follow Up Information Provided to City of Glendale, AZ Regarding EPA Releasing Drinking Water Health Advisories for PFOA and PFOS: Brent Maier shared yesterday's notification with officials with the City of Glendale who participated in call with Water Division Director Tomas Torres. Brent Maier had received a follow up request to send the notification as some of the key officials with the City of Glendale had not received the initial notification shared by our office.

Sen. Jeff Flake (R-AZ): Brent Maier has confirmed a call with Chuck Podolak, Natural Resources Policy Advisor in the DC Office of Senator Jeff Flake with Water Division Director Tomas Torres and David Albright for Friday, May 27th at 11:00am PT for a discussion on the status of the proposed UIC Florence Copper, Inc. permit. In addition, Mr. Podolak had asked for information regarding an upcoming EPA HQ briefing for Congressional staff and OCIR's Carolyn Levine provided information and a PowerPoint presentation for Congressional staff that Brent shared with Mr. Podolak regarding an upcoming May 26th EPA briefing on proposed rulemaking for financial responsibility for Hard Rock Mining - CERCLA 108(b).

Congressional Outreach on Region IX Brownfields Announcement Press Releases: Brent Maier shared press releases with Congressional staff in the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein, Harry Reid, Dean Heller, John McCain and Jeff Flake and Representatives Ann Kirkpatrick, Barbara Lee, Eric Swallwell, Mike Honda, Doug LaMalfa, Mark Desaulnier, Jared Huffman Mike Thompson, and Joe Heck whose States/Districts had recipients receiving Brownfields grants in Arizona, California, and Nevada.

Preparations for Upcoming Meeting on Thursday, June 2nd at 10:00am with Congressman Mark Amodei and Alexis: Brent Maier sent a note out to Program Divisions to check on the status of materials being prepared to brief Alexis for the upcoming meeting she has scheduled with Congressman Mark Amodei of Nevada on Thursday, June 2nd. It is likely that Congressman Amodei is expecting an update on the Anaconda/Yerington Mine Site and perhaps Eureka Smelters. Brent has also asked the Congressman's scheduler, Rachel Provost, to let us know if there are other topics of interest so that Alexis can be prepared to discuss any other issues of interest. Brent also copied the Division Directors and Deputies in our Enforcement, Water, Air, Land Divisions and Office of Regional Counsel to make them aware of the upcoming meeting with Congressman Amodei and Alexis and for them to decide if there is an issue within their Program that could either come up in the discussion with Congressman Amodei, or that we may wish to highlight at that meeting. There is a pre-brief with Alexis on the calendar for Tuesday, May 31st from 2:00pm – 2:45pm for her meeting with Congressman

Amodei. Brent would like to have any materials sent to by COB Monday, May 30th so that they can be compiled and finalized into a folder of materials for Alexis.

OCIR Request for Review of DOI Testimony on H.R. 4366 and H.R. 5217, the San Luis Unit Drainage Resolution Acts: For a May 24th hearing before the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, OCIR has requested that Region IX review and provide any needed comments on DOI draft testimony. The testimony supports H.R. 4366 and takes no position on H.R. 5217. Any Region IX comments are due to OCIR by Monday, May 23rd at 11:00am ET. Brent Maier has shared the draft testimony with ORC's Sylvia Quast, Gretchen Busterud, and Tom Hagler. Legislative Action on TSCA: House lawmakers released the final text of a proposed deal to reauthorize the nation's chemical law this afternoon as lawmakers, state agencies and interest groups continued to jockey for changes to the bill. The House Rules Committee released a new version of the bill. It would keep the Senate's name for the legislation, the "Frank R. Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21st Century Act." The Rules Committee will review the Senate amendments to H.R. 2576, or the "TSCA Modernization Act," in a meeting at 5 p.m. Monday, the committee said. Also being considered then are H.R. 897, or the "Zika Vector Control Act," and H.R. 5055, or the "Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act." - E&E News PM

House Floor Action Next Week: The House is slated the week of May 23rd to take up a \$37.4 billion energy and water spending bill that would block the Clean Water Rule, among other policy riders. The bill (H.R. 5055) would provide nearly \$30 billion for the Energy Department, \$6 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers, and \$1.1 billion for the Department of Interior in fiscal 2017. The Senate passed its \$37.5 billion version of the bill on a 90-8 vote May 12.

Rep. Mark Takai (D-HI-1): Freshman Rep. Mark Takai (D) announced last night that he will not seek re-election to Hawaii's 1st District seat, opting instead to retire as he addresses the pancreatic cancer that he was first diagnosed with last October. Although Takai, who first won the Honolulu-based seat in 2014, announced in February that he would seek re-election despite his cancer diagnosis, he revealed yesterday that the cancer "has spread" and he will be unable to do so. "When I was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer last year, my family and I resolved to fight it head-on and with deep personal faith. Today, we find ourselves at a crossroads. I had truly hoped to aggressively fight this cancer while seeking re-election, but I recently learned that my cancer has spread," Takai, 48, said in a statement.

He added: "Putting Hawaii and its people first means that I must regretfully withdraw from my 2016 re-election race for Congress and suspend my campaign. Right now, for the sake of my family, I need to focus on getting better rather than getting re-elected." Takai, who served nearly two decades as a state lawmaker before his election to the House, noted that he had hoped to build seniority in Congress much like the late-Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii). He said he plans to serve out the remainder of his term. – E&E

Upcoming Congressional Hearings & Markups:

Tuesday, May 24, 2016 – Senate Environment and Public Works Committee – The Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wildlife will hold an oversight hearing entitled, "Erosion of Exemptions and Expansion of Federal Control – Implementation of the Definition of Waters of the United States." 2:30pm ET. 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. http://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/hearings?ID=3F9479F7-CA54-44B6-A202-631D86380A66

Tuesday, May 24, 2016 – House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans - Legislative Hearing on Water Settlements: H.R. 4366 (Rep. David Valadao), To affirm an agreement between the United States and Westlands Water District dated September 15, 2015, and for other purposes. "San Luis Unit Drainage Resolution Act"; and H.R. 5217 (Rep. Jim Costa), To affirm "The Agreement Between the United States and Westlands Water District" dated September 15, 2015, "The Agreement Between the United States, San Luis Water District, Panoche Water District and Pacheco Water District", and for other purposes. "San Luis Unit Drainage Resolution Act". 10:30am ET. 1334 Longworth House Office Building. http://naturalresources.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=400473

Wednesday May 25, 2016 – House Appropriations Committee - Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee - FY 2017 Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill. http://appropriations.house.gov/calendar/eventsingle.aspx?EventID=394555

Thursday, May 26, 2016 – House Committee on Science, Space and Technology - Environment Subcommittee Hearing-"Impact of EPA's Clean Power Plan on States". 9:30am ET. 2318 Rayburn House Office Building. Witnesses: The

Honorable E. Scott Pruitt, Attorney General, State of Oklahoma; Ms. Brianne Gorod, Chief Counsel, Constitutional Accountability Center; The Honorable Charles McConnell, Executive Director, Energy and Environment Initiative, Rice University. https://science.house.gov/legislation/hearings/environment-subcommittee-hearing-impact-epa-s-clean-power-plan-states

Legislative Action:

May 17, 2016 - Reported by Committee - H.R. 5226: Regulatory Integrity Act of 2016. Last Action: Ordered to be Reported by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 14. Explanation: The committees assigned to this bill sent it to the House or Senate as a whole for consideration on May 17, 2016.

May 18, 2016 - Bill Text - S. 1724: Lake Tahoe Restoration Act of 2015. This bill's text for status *Reported by Senate Committee* (May 18, 2016) is now available.

May 18, 2016 – Introduced - H.R. 5281: To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to permit Governors of States to regulate intrastate endangered species and intrastate threatened species, and for other purposes. Sponsor: Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer [R-MO3]. This bill was referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources which will consider it before sending it to the House floor for consideration.

May 18, 2016 – Introduced - H.R. 5277: To amend the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 to establish a Working Waterfront Task Force and a working waterfronts grant program, and for other purposes. Sponsor: Rep. Chellie Pingree [D-ME1]. This bill was referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources which will consider it before sending it to the House floor for consideration.

May 19, 2016 – Introduced - S. 2959: A bill to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to clarify the use of amounts in the WMAT Settlement Fund. Sponsor: Sen. John McCain [R-AZ]. This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs which will consider it before sending it to the Senate floor for consideration. Sen. John McCain [R-AZ] is a member of the committee.

May 19, 2016 – Introduced - S. 2963: A bill to provide for grants to clean technology consortia to enhance the economic, environmental, and energy security of the United States by promoting domestic development, manufacture, and deployment of clean technologies, and for other purpos. Sponsor: Sen. Edward "Ed" Markey [D-MA]. This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation which will consider it before sending it to the Senate floor for consideration. Sen. Edward "Ed" Markey [D-MA] is a member of the committee.